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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 19, 2004 for the above-referenced application,  
please amend the above-identified application as indicated.

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